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IN RE APPLICATION OF HAN ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 09/728,653

EXAMINER: David Lukton

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ART UNIT: 1653

FOR: Alpha-Ketoamide Inhibitors of Hepatitis C Virus NS3 Protease

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Request for reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.111

The Office Action dated September 24, 2003 was set with a three month shortened statutory response period ending December 24, 2003. In response, the applicants submit the following amendments and remarks and respectfully request reconsideration of application no. 09/728,653.